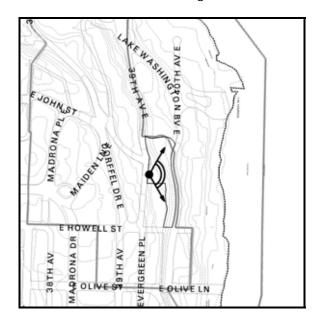
Viretta Park Viewpoint

39th and E. John and Evergreen Place



LOCATION AND VIEWPOINT CATEGORY

The park is located in the Denny-Blaine neighborhood and provides only limited views of Lake Washington. Private property exists to the north and south of the site. The majority of view obstruction is from trees on private property to the east across Lake Washington Blvd.

SUMMARY OF EXISTING CONDITIONS

Slope conditions range from 10-50%. The developed portion of the park is dark from dense tree canopies. The naturalized hillside is composed of Douglas Firs, Big Leaf Maples and Red Alders. Ivy covers the hillside, along with invasive *Clematis Columbiana*.

MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS

A. MAINTENANCE FOR EXISTING CONDITIONS Category 2 – Tree Pruning and Invasive Weed Removal

- Procedures:

 1. Tree removal of saplings, and pruning to reduce crown density and to lift lower limbs using ANSI 300 standards
- 2. Invasive weed removal

B. GENERAL MAINTENANCE PRACTICES

Five year cycle maintenance frequency will require:

- physical removal of weeds
- tree removal and thinning of native stands
- removal of dead, declining and diseased trees
- pruning to optimize light and water views using ANSI 300 standards

View management locations:

Zone 1 - Developed park landscape

Zone 3 - Hillside

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Priority 2

Restoring intended views by pruning and hillside maintenance is rated secondary priority due to majority of the view obstruction being on private property. Park use and visibility warrants tree pruning, increased light and hillside maintenance.

<u>Phasing</u>

Phase 1 - Remove and prune trees for more light

Phase 2 - Eradicate invasive weeds

<u>Labor Sources (UF- Urban Forestry Staff, PM – Park Maintenance Staff)</u>

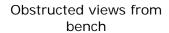
Contractor, UF, and/or volunteers: -physical removal of weeds
UF staff: -prune and remove trees

Park Maintenance staff:
-prune shrubs and small trees,
control adjacent vegetation,

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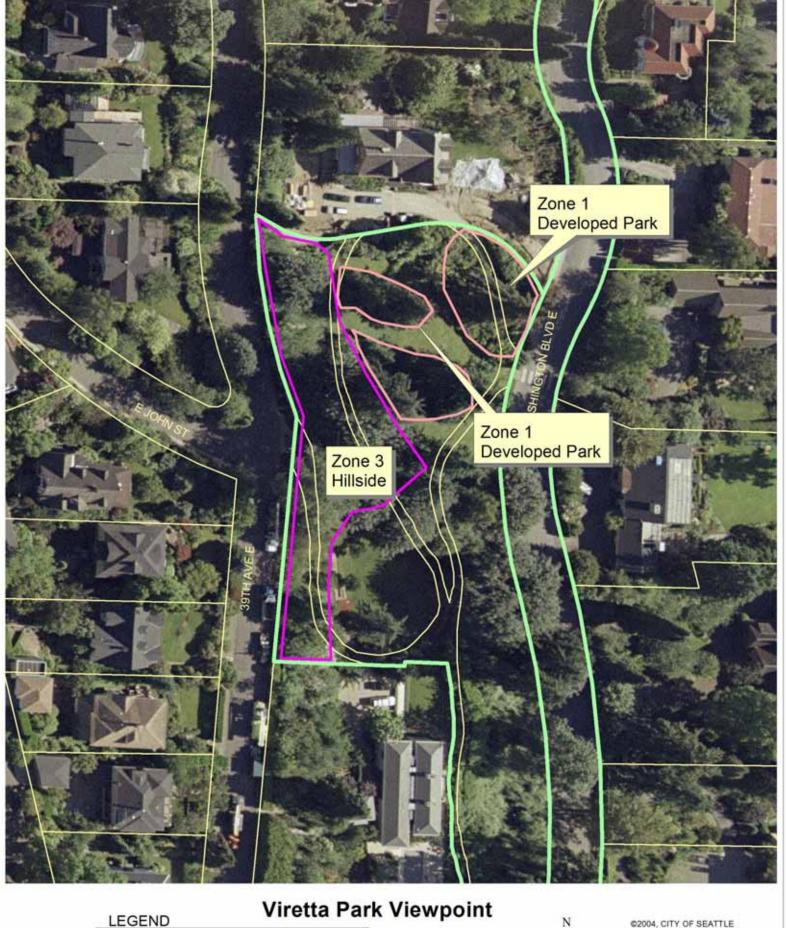
Obstructed views east into park and across Lake Washington







Dense tree canopy and ivy laden understory





LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT ZONES

Zone 1 - Developed Park Landscape Zone 2 - Transition

Zone 3 - Hillside

Park Boundary Parcel Boundary 1:900

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